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State revokes, suspends licenses, certifications, registrations of health care providers

OLYMPIA -- The Washington State Department of Health has revoked or suspended the licenses, certifications, or registrations of health care providers in our state. The department has also immediately suspended the credentials of people who have been prohibited from practicing in other states.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Division works with boards, commissions and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 80 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency's website. Click on "Look up a health care provider license" in the "How Do I?" section of the Department of Health home page (doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

King County

In March 2018 the Chiropractic Commission entered an agreement with chiropractor **Scot A. Sorum** (CH00003669) that suspends his credential for at least three months. The chiropractor had sexual contact with two patients. In 2014 he was convicted of fourth-degree assault – domestic violence, and of interfering with reporting of domestic violence. In 2016 he was charged with driving under the influence, and reckless endangerment. Sorum provided multiple treatments to a third patient without adequately documenting the rationale.

In March 2018 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the agency-affiliated counselor credential of **Trina Jo Clay** (CG60645012), who didn't abide by a requirement to enter a substance abuse monitoring program.

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Mason County

In March 2018 the Chiropractic Commission suspended until at least June 1, 2019 the chiropractor credential of **Norman E. Collins** (CH00002418), who didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring contract.

Pierce County

In March 2018 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the certified nursing assistant credential of **Lori Lynn Russell** (NC60170209). While she was working as a caregiver for an elderly client, Russell was found unresponsive on a bed in the client's home, and the client was found on the floor after having fallen during the night. A bottle of the client's opioid pain medication was left open with pills found on a kitchen counter, and an open bottle of alcohol was found in the refrigerator. After being given medication for a suspected opiate overdose, Russell was taken to an emergency department for further treatment. At the hospital, Russell was diagnosed with opioid overdose and alcohol intoxication. She has no valid prescription for opioid medication.

Spokane County

In March 2018 the Nursing Commission ordered that the registered nurse credential of **Amanda M. Fuller** (RN00148463) remain suspended. The nurse admitted taking medication from another employee's locker at the facility where she worked.

Out of State

Idaho: In March 2018 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the registered nurse credential of **Deanna Lea McShane** (RN60208635). The nurse didn't comply with a requirement to participate in a substance abuse monitoring program.

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